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## The Town's Water Supply

Here is the State Engineer's Report on our Water Supply, and its Publication Starts a Move for Better Water for Marlinton.

April 26th, 1921.

Mr. Frank P. King, Mgr.,  
Marlinton Municipal Light & Water Co., Marlinton, W. Va.

Dear Sir:

You will recall we talked over the advisability of changing the source of supply but that if you used a surface water it would be necessary to put in a chlorinator which would insure a pure water even though occasional pollution did enter the creek up above Marlinton. While probably the creek might show safe the greater part of the month, it being a surface water one cannot tell when pollution will creep in and if it does, you can not tell by ocular inspection. Therefore, as a factor of safety we deem it necessary that a chlorinator be installed and operated continuously. This will entail an initial investment of about \$500.00 and the up-keep will be about 10c or 15c a day. I believe the citizens will be more pleased with Knapps Creek water even though at certain times of the year it should be a trifle muddy. You must realize that it is these muddy periods that offer the greatest source of danger as the recent showers causing this muddy condition have tended to wash down to the creek all of the accumulated refuse and organic matter strewn on the hillsides.

We are very glad to hear that you are making this change and trust that as usual you will forward complete plans of the change of installation as required by the State Law in order that we may give our approval before such can be built.

Very truly yours,  
Division of Sanitary Engineering  
R. C. BECKETT,  
Assistant Engineer.

Charleston, W. Va.

April 18th, 1921.

Mr. F. P. King, Water Commissioner  
Marlinton, W. Va.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover a report of the water supply of Marlinton made by one of the engineers of this Department is being forwarded to you.

It is the policy of this Department to cooperate with all water companies in the State. Any steps that you contemplate either to extend or to change your present supply or to alter it in any way should be taken in cooperation with us.

Note from the samples which were received at the State Hygienic Laboratory that three samples taken from a stream showed safe. I am wondering whether this is Knapps Creek which the engineer discussed on his visit there as a possible source of a future water supply. I understand that the present water contains con-

val the waste products discharged intermittently during the day and thus make a smaller but continuous discharge into the river during the whole twenty-four hour period. At the time of the investigation practically no use was made of the five lagoons which embrace nearly an acre of land in addition to the above plant there are three planing mills which supply employment for some seventy-five men.

Sewerage System: Five outlets serve to drain the sewage from the town and is discharged untreated into the Greenbrier River. Points of discharge are at Sixth, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth Streets and a fifth sewer emptying into Knapps Creek, a short distance above the confluence of the two streams. The system which serves for sanitary purposes only are of the following sizes and lengths:

3350 ft. 12 in. T. C. pipe  
8400 ft. 8 in. T. C. pipe

These dwellings situated as to be unable to connect with the sewer lines revert to the old fashioned dirt trench type of privy with very infrequent removals as is typical of such towns.

Water Supply: In 1906 the Marlinton Light and Water Company was organized by certain citizens of Marlinton to supply the town with light and water. After a losing struggle the company went bankrupt and was taken over by the Marlinton Service Company whose members were practically of the same company then defunct. This later company lasted about a year and a half and in 1915 was taken over by the city at an agreed price of \$20,000, which price included both light and water plants. Since that time the town council has put back into the two plants about \$18,000.

In 1920 an increase in rates was granted to the company which authorized them to raise rates to a maximum of \$9.00 per year per household. At present the city is charging consumers \$6.38 per year. Households with two bathrooms are charged \$7.50 and garages and other large consumers of water are metered and charged at the flat rate of \$0.50 per thousand gallons. Altogether six consumers are metered out of a total of 200 consumers, which latter figure represents about 100 per cent connection with the city water system.

Wells and Pumping System: Two drilled wells located on two different sides of the pumping station form the source of supply for the water system. The two wells—690 and 700 ft. deep respectively and 8 inches in diameter—are drilled through clay and sand to solid sandstone. Both cased and have their outlets terminating about three feet above the surface of the ground where they are gripped by a concrete flooring and whose vertical sides form a concrete box extending about three inches above the ground. Both boxes are covered with a wooden lid.

The suction lines are bolted to the tops of the casings of the two wells and from each line leads to its individual pump. Both pumps are Worthington duplex, the water and steam

chambers of the two pumps being respectively as follows: 8" x 12" x 8 1/2" x 10" and 9" x 4" x 8 1/2" x 10", both delivering approximately 250 gallons per minute. Both pumps are run on an average of ten hours per day. An 8" line leading from a well connecting the two pressure lines of the two pumps supplies both the city lines and any surplus not used during the day finds its way to the reservoir on the hill. Between the line leading to the city mains and the line leading in the reservoir is a valve serving to cut off the reservoir from the city supply.

Distribution System: The following lengths and sizes make up the distribution system of the city in addition to which are twenty-eight fire hydrants. A normal pressure of about forty pounds exist at the fire hydrants:

3200 ft.	8 C. I. pipe
3000 ft.	6 C. I. pipe
8000 ft.	4 C. I. pipe
2000 ft.	1 3/4 C. I. pipe

Reservoir: Two iron cylindrical tanks each sixteen feet in diameter and twenty feet in height, serve as storage and equalizing reservoirs. Both are covered and have sufficient opening to permit of inspection.

General Remarks: The water coming as it does from a deep well source has naturally considerable mineral matter dissolved in it and the presence of iron is obnoxiously present. There is no doubt but that a taste must be developed for the water as the potableness of the water would not appeal to anyone. Besides the distinct and objectionable taste there is the objection also to the water which renders everything with which it comes in contact a reddish brown hue as is evidenced by all the porcelain work noticed at the public schools. What this water would do to the clothes of the citizens can probably best be told by the housewives themselves.

Recommendations: 1. If the present supply is to be continued the installation of a deferrization plant would be most desirable as the water in the present condition is intolerable from the standpoint of the iron content. It is an imposition to the citizens as well as an economic loss to those forced to use the same for washing purposes. Deferrization properly installed and properly attended to would rid the water of the undesirable content.

2. The water supply during the summer experiences periods bordering on drought and some discussion has been aroused at times to seek for a new source of water supply. The most suitable site would be to extend the existing mains about 800 feet and have the intake line run in Knapps Creek, a small creek emptying into the Greenbrier River, and sufficient at all times to supply the city now and in the future. This installation would entail the purchase of probably a three stage centrifugal pump with direct connected motor using the city current and a chlorinator. At times a water containing considerable turbidity would be encountered after heavy rainfalls but it is far less objectionable than the present water supply. Six miles above the proposed intake is a village of one hundred inhabitants with scattered houses lying in between.

3. In any installation the present condition of the plant must be taken into consideration. The present pumps have been installed some fifteen years and will in no distant future need complete overhauling if not replacement.

Respectfully Submitted,  
R. C. BECKETT,  
Assistant Engineer

### ARBOVALE

Miss Flora Gillespie of Elkins, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gillespie.

Mrs. J. W. Riley went to Marlinton last Friday to take treatment at the hospital.

Miss Martha Reitz, one of our high school students, took the latin test that was given throughout the State. Here's hoping that she wins first prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Beard took their little son, Fenton, to the City Hospital at Elkins to have him treated for rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harper, of Elkins, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Beard.

The Odd Fellows of the Winterburn Lodge, No. 319 of Greenbrier, held their anniversary service at the Arbovale church Sunday afternoon May 14, 1922. The weather, contrary to all our local weather prognosticators, was fine, and people came from far and near, making a crowd of over eight hundred people. There were one hundred and ten automobiles on the ground. The committee on arrangements and decorations are to be congratulated on the appearance of the church. Rev. W. W. Sutton, of Charleston, a member of the local lodge, was secured to preach the anniversary sermon. Our people were delighted to have him return for this occasion and their appreciation was attested by the large crowd present. He was at his best and gave us a very interesting, instructive and inspiring sermon which was enjoyed by all who were able to hear him.

Mr. Sutton is a former resident of this place having been reared here, and being a member of the Arbovale church, but is now a member of the W. Va. Conference, M. E. Church, and at present is holding down one of the good appointments in Charleston. The Odd Fellows furnished their own choir, made up entirely of Old Fellows, and demonstrated that they knew how to sing. So good weather, an excellent sermon and splendid singing naturally gave us a feast of good things. Hop they'll come again.

### PIANO RECITAL

By the pupils of Miss Mary Frances Bratton assisted by Miss Mary E. Kridger, at the High School Auditorium on Wednesday evening, May 31, 1922, at 8 o'clock. An admission of 20c. will be charged. Beginning July 1st, Miss Bratton will resume her piano classes.

### HILLSBORO

On last Sunday evening about 7 o'clock considerable excitement prevailed in our little town over an airplane which circled low several times over the houses and finally landed in the northern suburbs of the town. The men in charge of the machine had led from Lewisburg, and were engaged in picking up any one desiring to try the novelty of soaring up in the clouds.

Winnie Kinnison, a noted contractor of our community, is erecting a house on the Kinnison addition, and will probably put up two more during the summer. A company is also forming to put up a large garage and machine shop on the addition.

The town council is preparing to submit to the voters and taxpayers of the town a proposition to bond the town to the amount \$1,500.00 for the purpose of macadamizing the streets and building walks.

On last Saturday the 20th a pair of Brown & Sharpe hair clippers Figaro pattern. No. 0 was stolen from the writer. We do not wish to accuse anyone of the theft. Neither is it the intrinsic value of the article taken that prompts us to refer to this unpleasant matter. Without malice or ill feeling toward anyone we hope to be instrumental in some way or some how to cause some man, boy or girl who is about to be enticed away from the paths of rectitude and honor by the wickedness and evil tendencies of the times in which we are living to stop and think. In every community in our county and state there is quite a number of young people who are just beginning the morning of life's aspirations. It is one that will shape your lives for weal or for woe. There are two roads, one of the other of which you must follow. One leading upward to a higher and better life—to God and great happiness—the other leading downward to besmirchment of character and degradation, ruin and hell. Which of these roads are you going to follow? Remember your actions and deeds are ever under the all-seeing eye of God. We would impress on the mind of every boy and girl starting out for themselves that allegiance to God, honesty and a good character are the foundation stones upon which they must build for success and happiness, not only in this life but that which is to come. May God help you to build upon that foundation. J. H. C.

### BROWNS CREEK

We are having good growing weather now. Most of the farmers are shearing sheep.

C. A. McLaughlin is working for the Warn Lumber Co.

Miss Esta McLaughlin is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. J. Laury, at Minnehaha.

There has been some new Fords purchased on the Creek recently.

There has been quite a bit of work done on the roads which was badly needed.

The pie supper last Saturday night was a success. Sixty dollars was realized.

Miss Verian Grimes is at home, having closed a successful term of school at Danmore.

Mulvy Moore has a job of sawing for Mitchell Sharp.

The Ladies Missionary Society of Huntersville Methodist Church, will hold an ice cream festival on the church lawn on Saturday June 3, beginning at five o'clock.

### Food Sale

The Women's Club will have a sale at T. D. Moore's building on Main St., Saturday afternoon May 27th beginning at 2:30. Cakes, pies, cookies, candy, bread and dressed chickens will be on sale.

Proceeds from this sale will be used to help pay a supervisor for the playground for the summer months.

### The Stansberrys

Announce the opening of Minnehaha Springs Hotel with a five o'clock dinner, Sunday May 28th. (Although the Hotel and pool are ready for business now.) The management expects to maintain the same high class standard, established last year, and also keep up our reputation for good meals properly served. Kindly write or phone your reservation early as possible to insure good service. Do not forget the date.

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### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The annual sermon to the high school graduates will be delivered in high school auditorium on next Sunday evening, May 28, at eight o'clock. The Rev. Jno. I. Armstrong, of Lewisburg, will preach the sermon. Subject: "Abundant Life."

Senior Class exercises will be held in the high school auditorium on Thursday evening June 1st at eight o'clock.

The Annual High School commencement Exercises will be held in the high school auditorium Friday evening June 2nd, at eight o'clock. Prof. Wm. M. Brown, of the Department of Education, of Washington and Lee University, will deliver the address.

Rev. H. H. Orr will preach at Hamlin Chapel next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Owing to the Woodmen Memorial service the first Sunday in June this change of date has been made necessary.

### MARLINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

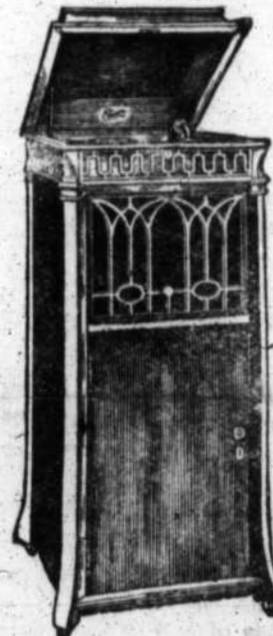
Harvey H. Orr, Pastor.  
9:45 a. m. Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m. Sermon by Rev. John I. Armstrong, D. D.  
3:00 p. m. Preaching at Hamlin Chapel.  
8:00 p. m. Baccalaureate service at the High School.

### MARLINTON METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. F. B. Wyand, Pastor.  
Sunday School 9:45, prompt.  
A. S. Overholt, Superintendent.  
Morning worship at eleven o'clock.  
Sermon subject: "What is the Matter with America?" This sermon will be in keeping with the occasion of May 30th.  
No service at night because of the High School Sermon.

A. C. Barlow has a bunch of tractors and thirty or forty men at work making the race track and putting in ditches at the Fair grounds this week. Three car loads of tile have been delivered to the grounds.

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A lady came thirty or more miles on the railroad to buy at our sale. When her wants were supplied, she found she had not only saved her train fare, but had several dollars besides for her time and trouble, over and above what she expected to pay. Her neighbors are coming now.

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